

Amendments to the Specification:

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 1, line 4, with the following rewritten paragraph:

-- This application relates to commonly assigned copending application Serial No.

10/625,424 (DN85504), entitled COLORABLE MICROSPHERES FOR DNA AND PROTEIN MICROARRAY, application Serial No.

10/625,375 (85507), entitled PHOTOCROMIC DYES FOR MICROSPHERE BASED SENSOR, and application Serial No.

10/625,637 (85677), entitled COLORABLE POLYMERIC PARTICLES WITH BIOLOGICAL PROBES, filed simultaneously herewith.

The copending applications are incorporated by reference herein for all that they contain.--